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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:
(PH)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE ADVERTISING AND PROVISION OF
REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH SERVICES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force
2 to study the advertising of the provision of reproductive health
3 services. Such study shall include, but not be limited to, an
4 examination of whether (1) any health care clinic in the state is
5 advertising the provision of reproductive health services when the
6 clinic does not provide such services, (2) a prohibition of such
7 advertising is required, and (3) such advertising shall be deemed an
8 unfair or deceptive act or practice in the conduct of trade or commerce
9 under subsection (a) of section 42-110b of the general statutes.
- 10 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:
- 11 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;
- 12 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;
- 13 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of

14 Representatives;

15 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;

16 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of
17 Representatives;

18 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate; and

19 (7) The Commissioners of Public Health and Consumer Protection,
20 or the commissioners' designee.

21 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),
22 (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member
23 of the General Assembly.

24 (d) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than
25 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be
26 filled by the appointing authority.

27 (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president
28 pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force
29 from among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall
30 schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not
31 later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

32 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
33 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public
34 health shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

35 (g) Not later than January 1, 2016, the task force shall submit a
36 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing
37 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
38 relating to public health and consumer protection, in accordance with
39 the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes. The task force
40 shall terminate on the date that it submits such report or January 1,
41 2016, whichever is later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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Statement of Purpose:

To establish a task force to study advertising of the provision of reproductive health services.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]